

EAST PROVIDENCE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

East Providence School Committee

East Providence City Hall – Room 308

145 Taunton Avenue

East Providence, Rhode Island 02914

July 15, 2014

Open Session

Mr. Monteiro, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

School Committee Members present: Elizabeth Clupny, Timothy Conley, Anthony Ferreira, Joel Monteiro. Also present: Kim Mercer, Superintendent of Schools, Robert Silva, Esq. and Andrew Thomas, Esq.

A motion was made by Ms. Clupny that the Committee convene in Executive Session for purposes of discussing: Personnel – R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-5(a) (1); Collective Bargaining R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-5(a) (2); Litigation/Pending Litigation-R.I. Gen. Law §42-46-5(a) (2); Contracts, seconded by Mr. Ferreira. Vote 4-0.

The School Committee returned to Public Session; a motion was

made by Ms. Clupny to return to public session and to seal the minutes of the Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Conley. Vote 4-0.

Report Executive Session Votes - None

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag & Moment of Silence were observed.

Motion by Ms. Clupny to accept public comment on agenda or non-agenda items, seconded by Mr. Ferreira. Vote 4-0.

Public Comment I – Agenda Items - None

Superintendent's Report

Facilities Report

Mr. Ed Catelli, Facilities Manager, reported that Barhy Construction started yesterday on the roof project at Whiteknact School and they are working on drainage around the building; the materials are expected to arrive around July 28, 2014. The asphalt will be cut and replaced and will be ramped for handicap accessibility into playground area. Painting started at the high school auditorium; Waddington project ongoing; asphalt will be cut for handicapped accessibility; will be building planters and moving trees; fencing all the way to the brook. Also addressing an issue with a noisy

compressor by putting up a masonry block wall with a door.

Mr. Ferreira requested a timeline on the Whiteknact roof project. Mr. Catelli stated that the building permit was pulled on Friday, July 11, 2014; he will obtain a construction timeline with dates. Mr. Ferreira requested that they replace rain dates with Saturdays; see if they can do a couple of Saturdays.

**Personnel Report on Resignation/Leaves of
Absence/Retirement/Transfers- Recommended by Superintendent
Mercer:**

RESIGNATIONS

Gregory Tidd-Electrician-District-Effective 07/02/2014

Jason Clancy-Asst. Varsity Football Coach-EPHS-Effective 07/01/2014

Stephany Hull-2/5 Latin Teacher-EPHS-Effective 07/10/2014

Action Items

Personnel Appointments – Recommended by Superintendent Mercer:

APPOINTMENTS

David Britto-Assistant Director-ALP/EPHS-Effective 2014/2015 School

Year

Paula Rodrigues-Reading Specialist-Whiteknact-Effective 09/02/2014

Bethany Halliday-ESL Teacher-MMS-Effective 09/02/2014

Allison Gontero-Kindergarten Teacher-Orlo-Effective 09/02/2014

Elizabeth Sauco-Latin Teacher 1/5-EPHS-Effective 09/02/2014

Danielle Lavoie-English Teacher-MMS-Effective 09/02/2014

**Samantha Scocchi-Special Ed/Pre-K-ELC @ WADD-Effective
09/02/2014**

Sarah Marion-Occupational Therapist-Effective 09/02/2014

**April Vocke-Special Ed/Severe/Profound-Whiteknact-Effective
09/02/2014**

Danielle Veyera-Special Ed/Severe/Profound-SS-Effective 09/02/2014

Jessica Rawnsley-Special Ed/SC-Hennessey-Effective 09/02/2014

Victor Pimentel-Grade 4 Teacher-Hennessey-Effective 09/02/2014

Kayla Gilbert-Grade 4 Teacher-Hennessey-Effective 09/02/2014

**Shana O'Connell-Grade 2 Teacher-Silver Spring-One Year - Effective
09/02/2014**

**Sean McBride-Middle School Science Summer School-MMS- Summer
2014 (1yr)**

**Kerry Taylor-Assistant Football Coach-EPHS-Effective 2014-2005
School Year**

**Kevin Corona-Assistant Football Coach-EPHS-Effective 2014-2005
School Year**

**Peter Quaweay-Assistant Football Coach-EPHS-Effective 2014-2005
School Year**

Motion to approve by Ms. Clupny, seconded by Mr. Ferreira. Vote 4-0.

Discussion: Question about the posting and hiring of a Principal for Oldham School and the

Job Description for the Assistant Director of ALP at the high school.

Requisitions – Bill List

Warrant #

1415	7/2/14	\$	184.78
1416	7/9/14	\$	1,622,472.11
1417	7/9/14	\$	135,848.80
1419	7/9/14	\$	24,317.80
1421	7/15/14	\$	5,040.00
1422	7/15/14	\$	39,883.40

Approval of payment in the amount of \$72,750.00 to Johnson Controls; holding \$20,000 until thermostats fixed; Mr. Monteiro explained this was an energy project from years back and there are thermostats that still do not work. The School Committee agreed to the payment of \$72,750. and withholding the additional \$20,000 until the job is completed; cannot be done until heat goes back on.

Motion by Ms. Clupny to approve the bill list and payment to Johnson Controls, seconded by Mr. Ferreira. Vote 5-0.

Request for Home Schooling – Motion to pass by Ms. Clupny,

seconded by Mr. Ferreira. Vote 4-0.

**Motion to adjourn at 7:52PM by Ms. Clupny, seconded by Mr. Conley.
Vote 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Iannelli, Administrative Assistant

Elizabeth Clupny, Clerk of the Committee